

Amendments to the Drawings

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to FIGS. 4(A)-4(D), 5(A)-5(D), and 15(B). The attached sheets, which include FIGS. 4(A)-4(D), 5(A)-5(D), and 15(A)-15(B), replace the original sheets including FIGS. 4(A)-4(D), 5(A)-5(D), and 15(A)-15(B). In FIGS. 4(A)-4(D) and 5(A)-5(D), the nodes 21, 22, 23, and 24 are no longer identified as Node Devices (1)-(4), respectively. In FIG. 15(B), optical path D has been changed to optical path E to agree with the specification (see page 20).

Attachment: Replacement Sheet FIGS. 4(A)-4(D).
 Replacement Sheet FIGS. 5(A)-5(D).
 Replacement Sheet FIGS. 15(A)-15(B).



FIG. 4(A)

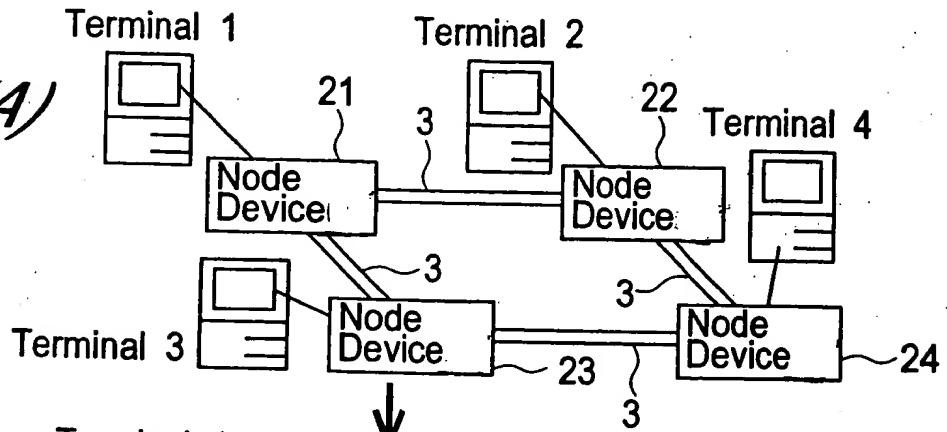


FIG. 4(B)

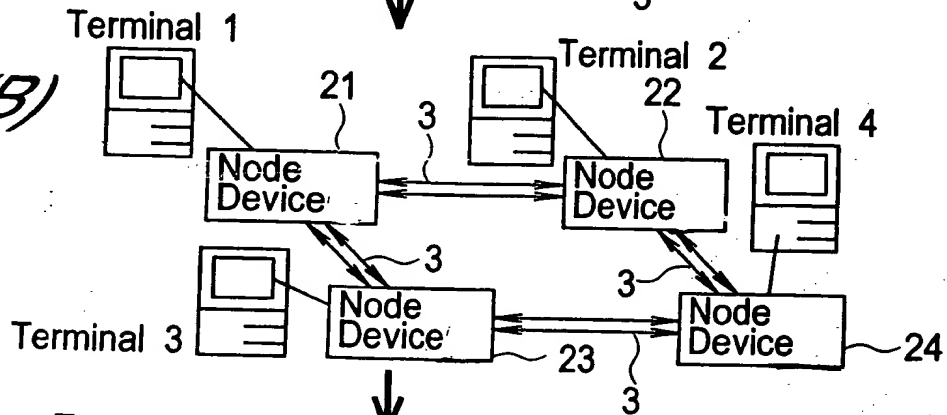


FIG. 4(C)

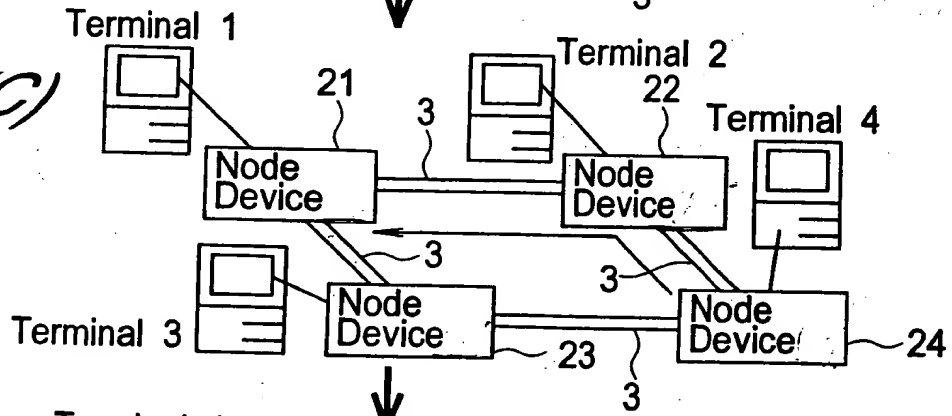
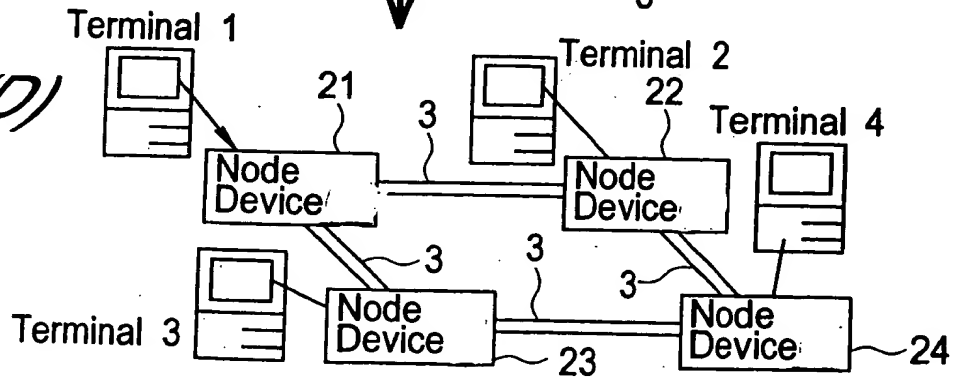


FIG. 4(D)



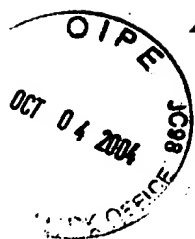


FIG. 5(A)

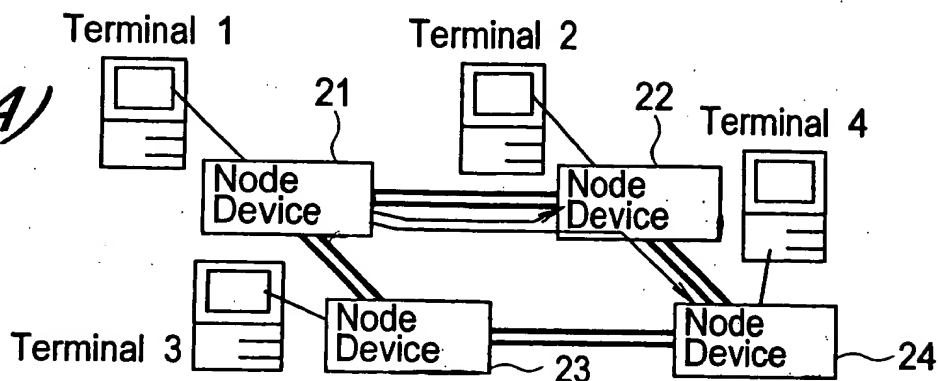


FIG. 5(B)

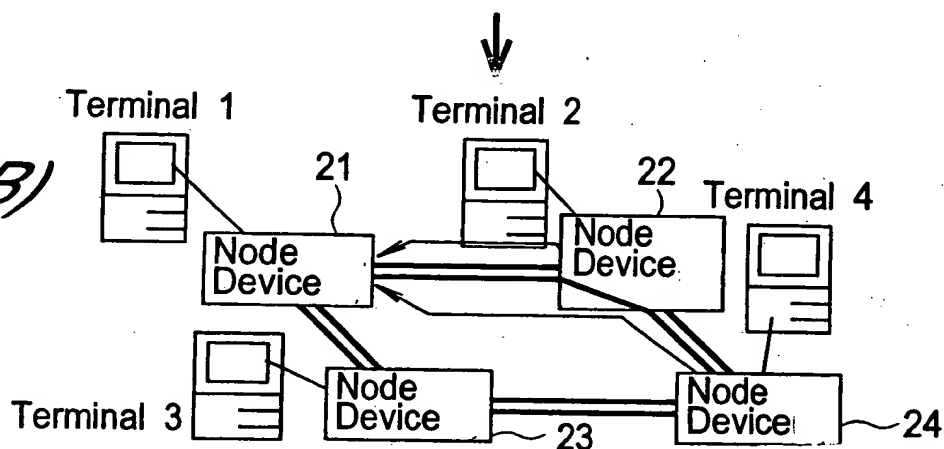
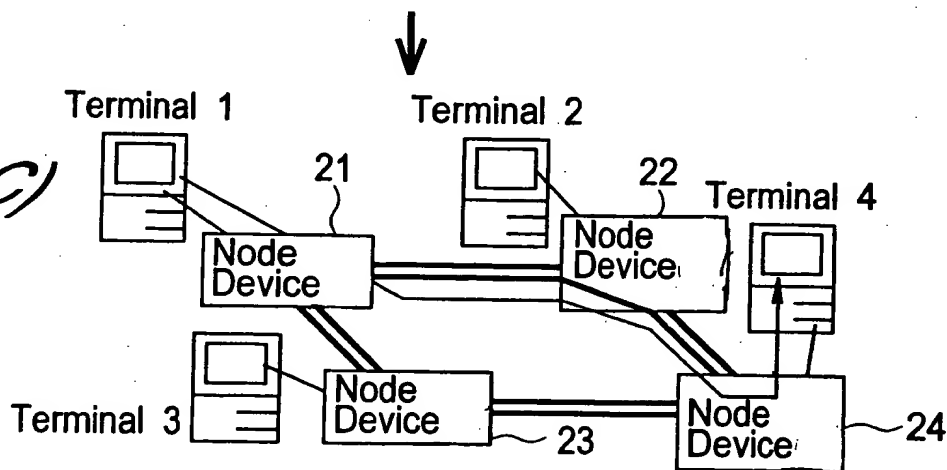


FIG. 5(C)



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FIG. 15(A)

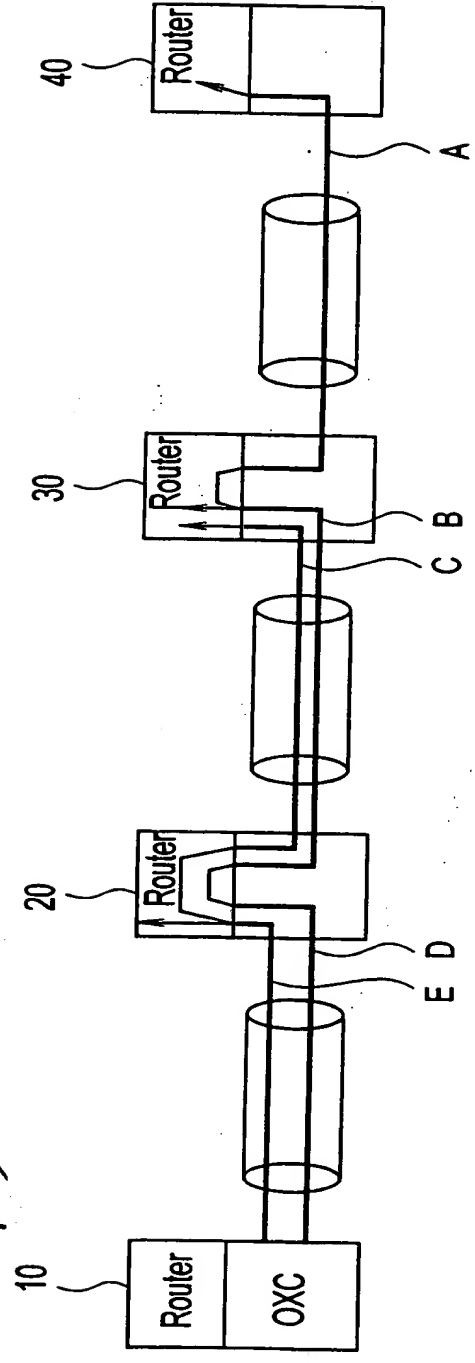


FIG. 15(B)

